
Bruce Stubbs



Director, Department of Defense Executive Agent for Maritime Domain Awareness

Mr. Stubbs is responsible for the coordination and implementation of Maritime Domain Awareness programs, policies, and related issues across the Defense Department. From January to May 2009 Mr. Stubbs also served as the Deputy Under Secretary of the Navy (Acting). In this position he advised the Secretary of the Navy and the Under Secretary of the Navy on national security, foreign policy and intelligence issues. Prior to becoming the Director, Mr. Stubbs served as the Maritime Security Advisor to the Special Envoy for Middle East Regional Security, General James Jones USMC, Ret., and was a member of the Secretary of the Navy's Advisory Board to advise the Secretary on naval and maritime matters.

Mr. Stubbs began his career as an officer in the U.S. Coast Guard. He served on the staff of the National Security Council, military aide to the Commandant of the Coast Guard, and as the Commanding Officer of USCGC HARRIET LANE (WMEC-903). He was also assigned as the Assistant Commandant for Capability with responsibility for the Coast Guard's 275-ships, 2,000-boats, 220-aircraft, and 188-multi-mission coastal stations, as well as the Coast Guard's intelligence program, and the 35,000-members in the volunteer Auxiliary. Additionally, he responsible for the operational requirements of the multibillion dollar Integrated Deepwater System Project to re-capitalize all major ships, all aircraft, and associated sensors and communications systems. As a Coast Guardsman, Mr. Stubbs also served in the U.S. Navy as a division officer in USS BADGER (DE-1071) during a combat tour in Vietnam, and as an instructor at the Naval War College. He qualified for a Surface Warfare Officer Pin and is a graduate of Tactical Action Officer School.

Following his Coast Guard service, Mr. Stubbs worked in industry as a national security consultant, participating in the development of current maritime and homeland security strategies to include the *National Strategy for Maritime Security*, the Coast Guard's *Maritime Strategy for Homeland Security*, and the Coast Guard's first *Maritime Domain Awareness White Paper*. After the 9/11 attacks the Commandant of the Coast Guard asked him to join the Commandant's special task force on homeland security.

Mr. Stubbs received a BS from the U.S. Coast Guard Academy, an MBA from the University of Washington, and an MA with distinction from the Naval War College. On active duty Mr. Stubbs was awarded the Coast Guard Distinguished Service Medal, the Legion of Merit, the Defense Meritorious Service Medal, the Coast Guard Meritorious Service Medal with the Operational Distinguishing Device, the Navy Meritorious Service Medal, the Combat Action Ribbon, the Presidential Service Badge, and numerous other campaign, unit, and individual awards. He received the Naval Institute's first place prize for the 2004 Coast Guard Essay Contest.